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 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
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 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description of the Invention (including drawings, if filed)
 - Claim(s)
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33 (b).
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The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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Sir:

The following utility patent application is enclosed for filing:

Applicant(s): Eugene L. Podsiadlo

Executed on: September 25, 2000

Title of Invention: COMMUNICATION NETWORK BASED SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUCTIONING SHARES
 OF AN INVESTMENT PRODUCT

PATENT APPLICATION FEE VALUE

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| Total Claims | 28 | -20 | 8 | \$18.00 each | \$ 144.00 |
| Independent | 4 | -3 | 1 | \$78.00 each | \$ 78.00 |
| Minimum Fee | | | | | \$ 690.00 |
| Multiple Dependency Fee If Applicable (\$260.00) | | | | | \$ 0.00 |
| Total | | | | | \$ 912.00 |
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- ☐ Priority of application no. filed on in is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.
☐ The certified copy of the priority application has been filed in application no. filed
☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the following sentence: This is a continuation-in-part of application no. filed.

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